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NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE NORTHEAST REGION One Blackburn Drive Gloucester, MA 01930

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**** Dial-A-Fish Reporting Reminder to Massachusetts Dealers *****

Dear Permit Holder:

This letter is being sent to Massachusetts dealers holding Federal permits for at least one of the following quota-monitored species: Atlantic bluefish, summer flounder, black sea bass, scup, spiny dogfish, *Loligo* squid, *Illex* squid, Atlantic cod, or haddock. To successfully monitor the TAC (Total Allowable Catch) for these fisheries, real-time landings information is required. Therefore, dealer reporting of the quota-monitored species using a telephone call-in or Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system is extremely important. The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries has developed its own IVR system to collect weekly landings of quota-monitored species in Massachusetts. A telephone is all that's required to submit data to this system.

Massachusetts dealers holding Federal permits for any of the quota-monitored species are to report their purchases through the MADMF IVR system, but do not need to report through the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) IVR system, if the species were landed in Massachusetts. Quota-monitored species purchased by Massachusetts dealers (first point of sale) landed outside of Massachusetts must be reported to the NMFS IVR call-in system. Instructions for submitting a report through the MADMF IVR system are enclosed (blue sheets).

The quota-monitored species that are to be reported weekly include Atlantic bluefish, summer flounder, black sea bass, scup, spiny dogfish, *Loligo* squid, *Illex* squid, Atlantic cod, and haddock. Purchase reports should include the species and pounds purchased and the week in which the species were landed. If no quota-monitored species were purchased during a given week, a negative report must be submitted through the IVR system. If at least one quota-monitored species was purchased and reported, a negative report is not necessary for the other species. Note that MADMF regulations may require additional reporting requirements.

To obtain information regarding the Dial-A-Fish Dealer Quota Reporting System run by the MADMF, call Holly McBride at (978) 282-0308 (x104) or Tom Hoopes at (x112).

For additional information, please contact the following:

MADMF IVR information	Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station	(978) 282-0308 extension 104 or 112
NMFS IVR information	Fisheries Statistics Office	(978) 281-9296 or (978) 281-9209
Federal Permits	NMFS Permit Office	(978) 281-9370
Other reporting information	Local Port Agent	See attached list
Other reporting information	Regional Office Email	reporting.ne@noaa.gov

Sincerely,

John F. Witzig, Chief Fisheries Statistics Office

Enclosures